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The prospective area for harvest of 7 fresh market vegetables during the winter is estimated at 178 thousand acres (72.0 thousand hectares). This is 4 percent less than the 185 thousand acres (74.9 thousand hectares) harvested during the same period last year. The crop had escaped major freeze damage through January 1.

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PROSPECTIVE AREA FOR HARVEST, WINTER SEASON, UNITED STATES
(DOMESTIC UNITS)

CROP	AREA HARVESTED 1984	AREA HARVESTED 1985	AREA FOR HARVEST 1986
	ACRES		
BROCCOLI 1/	27,800	29,800	28,500
CARROTS 1/	29,600	34,200	33,300
CAULIFLOWER 1/	10,400	9,500	10,300
CELERY 1/	7,900	9,300	8,200
SWEET CORN	8,900	5,500	7,800
LETTUCE	74,000	83,100	73,800
TOMATOES	16,300	13,600	15,900
TOTAL WINTER	174,900	185,000	177,800

PROSPECTIVE AREA FOR HARVEST, WINTER SEASON, UNITED STATES
(METRIC UNITS)

CROP	AREA HARVESTED 1984	AREA HARVESTED 1985	AREA FOR HARVEST 1986
	HECTARES		
BROCCOLI	11 250	12 060	11 530
CARROTS	11 980	13 840	13 480
CAULIFLOWER	4 210	3 840	4 170
CELERY	3 200	3 760	3 320
SWEET CORN	3 600	2 230	3 160
LETTUCE	29 950	33 630	29 870
TOMATOES	6 600	5 500	6 430
TOTAL WINTER	70 790	74 860	71 960

1/ INCLUDES FRESH MARKET AND PROCESSING.

VEGETABLES FOR FRESH MARKET, PROSPECTIVE AREA FOR HARVEST, WINTER SEASON

CROP AND STATE	USUAL HARVEST PERIOD	AREA HARVESTED 1984	AREA HARVESTED 1985	AREA FOR HARVEST 1986	1986 AREA HARVESTED AS PERCENT OF 1985
		ACRES			PERCENT
BROCCOLI: 1/					
CALIF	JAN-MAR	27,800	29,800	28,500	96
CARROTS: 1/					
CALIF - DESERT	DEC-MAY	11,000	12,100	11,100	92
- OTHER	JAN-MAR	6,000	5,900	6,000	102
FLA	NOV-MAR	5,600	7,000	8,200	117
TEX	DEC-MAR	7,000	9,200	8,000	87
GROUP TOTAL		29,600	34,200	33,300	97
CAULIFLOWER: 1/					
CALIF	JAN-MAR	10,400	9,500	10,300	108
CELERY: 1/					
CALIF - SOUTH COAST	JAN-APR	4,300	5,600	4,700	84
FLA	JAN-MAR	3,600	3,700	3,500	95
GROUP TOTAL		7,900	9,300	8,200	88
SWEET CORN:					
FLA	JAN-MAR	8,900	5,500	7,800	142
LETTUCE:					
ARIZ - WESTERN	NOV-APR	30,100	36,600	31,700	87
CALIF - BLYTHE	FEB-APR	4,400	4,500	3,200	71
- IMPERIAL VALLEY	DEC-MAR	30,100	31,300	29,300	94
FLA	JAN-MAR	5,900	6,500	7,300	112
TEX	DEC-MAR	3,500	4,200	2,300	55
GROUP TOTAL		74,000	83,100	73,800	89
TOMATOES:					
FLA	JAN-MAR	16,300	13,600	15,900	117

1/ INCLUDES FRESH MARKET AND PROCESSING.

ONIONS AND STRAWBERRIES PLANTING INTENTIONS AND PROSPECTIVE AREA FOR HARVEST

CROP, SEASON, AND STATE	PLANTED AREA			HARVESTED AREA		
	1984	1985	1986	1984	1985	FOR HARVEST 1986
	ACRES					
ONIONS 1/						
SPRING:						
ARIZ 2/	2,400	1,200	1,200	2,300	1,200	
CALIF 2/	7,700	7,800	8,500	7,700	7,800	
TEX	20,600	18,000	17,000	18,600	17,000	16,000
GROUP TOTAL	30,700	27,000	26,700	28,600	26,000	
STRAWBERRIES 3/						
WINTER:						
FLA	5,400	5,300	5,000	5,400	5,300	5,000

1/ PRIMARILY FRESH MARKET.
2/ 1986-PLANTING INTENTIONS - HARVEST ACREAGE PUBLISHED MAR 7.
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ONIONS: Area planted to spring onions 1986 is estimated at 26.7 thousand acres (10.8 thousand hectares), down 1 percent from last year and 13 percent below 1984. Texas acreage for harvest is forecast at 16.0 thousand acres, down 6 percent from last year.

In Texas' Rio Grande Valley, planting met with minimal delays. Soil moisture is good and current stands look good. In the San Antonio-Winter Garden area, planting is still underway. Early fields received some frost damage in December, but stands now look good. In Laredo, fields are doing well and there is adequate moisture for good development.

Planting in Arizona started in late October but was stopped by rain in early December. Weather since then has been ideal for good stands to be established. In California, onion growth was slowed by fog and cool temperatures. Some transplanting was not yet completed by the end of the year.

BROCCOLI: During the winter season, California expects to harvest 28.5 thousand acres (11.5 thousand hectares) of broccoli, 4 percent less than the same period a year ago. Cool, damp weather in December slowed growth in some areas. Harvest is underway in the desert and cutting continues on the south and central coast, and in the San Joaquin Valley.

CARROTS: Expected 1986 winter carrot acres for harvest is forecast at 33.3 thousand acres (13.5 thousand hectares), down 3 percent from a year ago.

In Florida, digging was slowed by the holidays and cold weather. Freezing temperatures invaded the carrot growing areas on December 26 and 27. Generally, light foliage burn occurred from the frost and freeze. Good supplies are expected during the winter period. Both regular varieties and mini-types are available. Growing weather, with the exception of the two-day freeze has been favorable. Plantings continue at an active pace.

Heavy rains in the Rio Grande Valley of Texas at planting time made some replanting necessary. Harvest was running behind normal because of the wet ground. Quality of carrots from early fields is variable.

Light harvest of California desert carrots started in Coachella Valley about December 1 and a few days later in Imperial Valley. Good volume was expected by early January with peak shipments in March and April. Harvest is nearing completion in the Salinas Valley. Moderate harvest continues in the San Joaquin Valley with the Kern district the major supplier.

CAULIFLOWER: The prospective acreage of cauliflower for harvest in California during the winter of 1986 is estimated at 10.3 thousand acres (4170 hectares), up 8 percent from the same period last year. Cool, overcast conditions have slowed growth and maturity of cauliflower in the San Joaquin Valley. Harvest is well along in the Santa Maria area and continues in the south bay area. Harvest is increasing in the desert.

CELERY: The 1986 winter celery prospective area for harvest totals 8200 acres (3320 hectares), 12 percent less than the same period a year ago.

In Florida, transplantings continue slightly below a year ago in the Everglades and Central areas. Plants survived the December freeze with minimal problems. Harvest is gaining momentum and good volume is expected during the remaining season. Quality and size are good.

Transplanting and harvesting continued in the south coast district of California. A few acres were reported abandoned in Ventura County. Harvesting was virtually completed in the central coast counties. Growing conditions were about normal.

SWEET CORN: Acreage of sweet corn for harvest in Florida during the winter of 1986 is estimated at 7800 acres (3160 hectares), 42 percent more than the freeze damaged winter crop of 1985. Seeding continues active in the Pompano and Dade County areas. Growth was slowed by recent cold weather but has now returned to normal. Harvest is gaining in the Pompano area where ear size and quality are good. Harvest is getting underway in Dade County and good volume is expected in January. Ear size is below normal but improvement is expected.

LETTUCE: The prospective acreage for harvest of winter lettuce is estimated at 73.8 thousand acres (29.9 thousand hectares), down 11 percent from the winter of 1985.

In Florida, seeding continues active in the Everglades and steady in the Central area. Harvest is gaining and good supplies are expected through the season. The December freeze caused only minor damage in the Central and Everglades areas. Weather conditions are now favorable for growth and development.

Planting in Texas met with some delays because of wet conditions. Stands are currently good. Harvest began slightly behind normal.

Harvest of Arizona's western lettuce crop began the first week in November and will continue through April. Heavy rainfall in early October disrupted planting schedules of some growers, and unseasonably cold weather in early December limited harvesting.

Harvest started in the Imperial Valley of California in mid-December. Yields appear to be fairly light from early fields but should improve as harvest becomes heavy. Harvest of the spring crop in Blythe (Palo Verde Valley) should begin in early February and run into April.

TOMATOES: The prospective acreage for harvest of winter tomatoes in Florida is estimated at 15.9 thousand acres (6430 hectares), 17 percent more than last year's winter crop. Seeding is complete in all winter areas. The December cold weather damaged some foliage in the Southwest and Fort Pierce areas. There was no significant fruit loss and volume from all areas is expected to be good through March. Dade County escaped the frost. Growth and fruit quality have been good. Size and yields remain variable.

STRAWBERRIES: Winter strawberries in Florida are expected to be harvested from 5000 acres (2020 hectares), down 6 percent from the 1985 crop. The crop survived the December freeze as growers used water sprinklers for protection. Only minor bloom loss is expected. Commercial volumes are coming from the Hillsborough-Manatee area. Fruit size is mostly medium to large. Good volumes are expected into early May with peak supplies expected in late March.

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ALL ONIONS: Planted acreage of onions in the U.S. is expected to total 124 thousand acres (50.2 thousand hectares) in 1986, 2 percent fewer than last year and 7 percent below 1984. Spring acreage at 26.0 thousand acres planted is down 4 percent. Summer, non-storage area, at 11.4 thousand acres, should be up 6 percent; while the storage crop acreage (excluding California), at 60.0 thousand intended acres would be down 7 percent.

SPRING ONIONS: Growers in the spring onion areas of Arizona, California, and Texas expect to harvest 25.0 thousand acres (10.1 thousand hectares) in 1986, 4 percent below last year's level, and 13 percent below two years ago. In Arizona, harvest should begin in early May. Warm winter weather aided crop development. Heavy rains in California during February flooded out some fields in low lying areas. In the desert region, warm weather hastened crop growth.

Texas production is forecast at 38.4 million cwt (174 thousand metric tons), up 19 percent from last year and 15 percent above two years ago. All three growing areas are making good progress. Some irrigation was started in the Winter Garden area. In the Rio Grande area, mild temperatures during the winter aided quality and may help get harvest started two weeks early.

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SUMMER NON-STORAGE ONIONS: Planting intentions for summer non-storage onions totals 11.4 thousand acres (4610 hectares) in 1986, up 6 percent from last year, but 3 percent short of 1984 plantings. In New Mexico and Texas, onion sets are currently being transplanted. In the Texas High Plains, soil moisture is good, but drier soils in the Trans-Pecos area have required irrigation. Acreage in Washington at 1600 acres planted and to be planted is up 7 percent from last year.

SUMMER STORAGE ONIONS: Growers of summer storage onions (excluding California) intend to plant 60.0 thousand acres (24.3 thousand hectares) in 1986, down 7 percent from a year ago and two years ago. Low prices for the 1985 crop are blamed for the acreage cutback. Planting should start in mid-March in early fields and become more general in April.

California growers, where the onion crop is mostly processed, expect to plant 26.7 thousand acres this year. This is up 10 percent from last year but 1 percent short of 1984 plantings. February rains have delayed transplanting in most of California, but planting in desert areas is going forward without much delay.

ONIONS

SEASON AND STATE	AREA HARVESTED 1984	AREA HARVESTED 1985	AREA FOR HARVEST 1986	YIELD PER ACRE 1984	YIELD PER ACRE 1985	YIELD PER ACRE 1986	PRODUCTION 1984	PRODUCTION 1985	PRODUCTION 1986
	ACRES			CWT			1,000 CWT		
SPRING 1/									
ARIZ	2,300	1,200	1,200	350	470		805	564	
CALIF	7,700	7,800	7,800	355	450		2,734	3,510	
TEX	18,600	17,000	16,000	180	190	240	3,348	3,230	3,840
GROUP TOTAL	28,600	26,000	25,000	241	281		6,887	7,304	

	AREA PLANTED 1984	AREA PLANTED 1985	AREA PLANTED 1986	1986 AS % OF 1985
	ACRES			PERCENT
SPRING 1/	30,700	27,000	26,000	96
SUMMER 1/				
NON-STORAGE				
N MEX	4,100	4,700	4,700	100
TEX	6,300	4,600	5,100	111
WASH	1,300	1,500	1,600	107
GROUP TOTAL	11,700	10,800	11,400	106
STORAGE				
COLO	12,800	13,100	11,000	84
IDAHO & MALHEUR	15,700	17,000	16,000	94
MICH	8,600	8,400	8,200	98
MINN	900	800	700	88
N Y	14,400	13,500	13,400	99
OHIO	530	500	500	100
OREG, OTHER	3,300	3,500	3,100	89
UTAH	2,300	1,700	1,400	82
WASH	4,300	4,300	4,300	100
WIS	1,700	1,500	1,400	93
SUBTOTAL	64,530	64,300	60,000	93
CALIF 2/	26,900	24,300	26,700	110
TOTAL SUMMER CROP	103,130	99,400	98,100	99
U S	133,830	126,400	124,100	98

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VEGETABLES FOR FRESH MARKET

CROP AND STATE	AREA HARVESTED 1984	AREA HARVESTED 1985	AREA FOR HARVEST 1986	YIELD PER ACRE 1984	YIELD PER ACRE 1985	YIELD PER ACRE 1986	PRODUCTION 1984	PRODUCTION 1985	PRODUCTION 1986
	ACRES			CWT			1,000 CWT		
ASPARAGUS 1/									
SPRING									
CALIF	34,200	35,200	37,700	25	28		855	986	
STRAWBERRIES 1/									
WINTER									
FLA	5,100	5,300	4,900	170	200	180	867	1,060	882
SPRING									
CALIF	14,100	14,600	15,100	535	530		7,544	7,738	

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ASPARAGUS: California's area of asparagus for harvest is forecast at 37.7 thousand acres, up 7 percent from 1985. Harvest began in mid-January in the desert area which had benefitted from warm weather and excellent demand. By early February, harvest had started in the other areas of the State. Rains and flooding have halted harvest in the Delta.

STRAWBERRIES: The area of strawberries for harvest in California during the 1986 spring season is expected to total a record 15.1 thousand acres, 3 percent above last year and 7 percent more than 1984. Harvest started early on the south coast but was disrupted by mid-February rain which caused high cullage. Good volumes are expected again by early March.

Production of winter strawberries in Florida is forecast at 882 thousand cwt, 17 percent less than last year's crop. The crop is in generally fair to good condition. Cold weather in December and January caused producers to use sprinklers for protection, in the Hillsborough-Manatee area. Plants were protected but there was bloom and fruit loss. The cold weather has slowed harvest and lowered production. Yield prospects have improved and fair to good volumes are expected for March and April. The Dade County "U-pic" was not damaged by the cold weather and production has been good. Harvest is expected to begin in Bradford County in March.

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Prospective plantings for the 5 major processing vegetable crops are down 7 percent from last year. Processors plan to contract for a total of 1.30 million acres (524 thousand hectares) this year compared with 1.39 million acres in 1985.

Each of the 5 major processing crops are down from last year, led by a 15 percent reduction in green pea acreage. Intentions are down 7 percent for snap beans and 6 percent for cucumbers for pickles while sweet corn and tomatoes are expected to be off 3 percent each.

Acreage for FREEZING, at 381 thousand acres, is expected to decrease 6 percent from the 406 thousand acres contracted last year. CANNING acreage of 914 thousand acres (including tomatoes and cucumbers), should be down 7 percent.

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SNAP BEANS will be planted on 199 thousand acres (80.5 thousand hectares) under contract in 1986, a decline of 7 percent from last year. Canning acreage should drop 9 percent while freezing acreage will be down 3 percent from last year. Sharp declines in New York, New Jersey, Michigan, Wisconsin, Florida, and North Carolina more than offset larger acreages expected in Oregon, Washington, Indiana, Tennessee, and Pennsylvania.

SWEET CORN planting intentions cover 434 thousand acres (176 thousand hectares) for 1986, down 3 percent from 1985. Acreage for freezing will be fractionally larger than last year, but canning acreage will be down 6 percent. Of the major producing States, only Delaware and Minnesota expect increases from last year. The remaining States are down, led by a 22 percent drop in Illinois.

GREEN PEAS will be planted on 312 thousand acres (126 thousand hectares) in 1986, down 15 percent from the 365 thousand acres planted for processing last year. Canning acreage should be off 16 percent while acreage for freezing will be down 13 percent. All of the major producing States expect to plant fewer green pea acres than last year, ranging from a 3 percent drop in Minnesota to 23 percent in Wisconsin.

CUCUMBERS FOR PICKLES are expected to be planted on 93.9 thousand acres (38.0 thousand hectares) under contract in 1986, a decline of 6 percent from a year ago. The 3 States with largest plantings last year (Michigan, North Carolina, and South Carolina) are planning reduced acreages of 3, 16, and 16 percent respectively, this year. Texas processors expect 31 percent more acreage while Oregon, Delaware, and New Jersey also expect more acreage contracted.

TOMATOES for canning are being planned for 256 thousand acres (104 thousand hectares) across the U.S. this year, down 3 percent from last year. California canners expect a 1 percent decline in acres planted, accompanied by a 2 percent increase in tonnage harvested.

U.S. processing tomato production contracted for 1986 harvest is expected to total 7.09 million tons (6.44 million metric tons), slightly more than last year.

PROSPECTIVE PLANTINGS BY CROP AND EXPECTED UTILIZATION,
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CROP AND UTILIZATION	PLANTED AREA				
	1984	1985		1986	CONTRACT CHANGE
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT INTENTIONS	1986/1985
	ACRES				PERCENT
ALL PROCESSING:					
SNAP BEANS	226,490	231,170	214,280	198,900	93
SWEET CORN	445,900	450,700	449,300	434,100	97
CUCUMBERS (PICKLES)	108,430	118,240	99,600	93,860	94
GREEN PEAS	346,170	365,620	365,220	312,120	85
TOMATOES	298,600	269,860	265,100	256,080	97
TOTAL	1,425,590	1,435,590	1,393,500	1,295,060	93
CANNING:					
SNAP BEANS	159,640	166,350	152,040	138,530	91
SWEET CORN	294,990	283,410	282,810	267,060	94
GREEN PEAS	179,920	188,170	187,970	158,400	84
FREEZING:					
SNAP BEANS	66,850	64,820	62,240	60,370	97
SWEET CORN	150,910	167,290	166,490	167,040	100
GREEN PEAS	166,250	177,450	177,250	153,720	87
	PRODUCTION				
	1984	1985		1986	CONTRACT CHANGE
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT INTENTIONS	1986/1985
	TONS				PERCENT
TOMATOES	7,681,160	7,177,130	7,081,810	7,093,680	100

PROSPECTIVE PLANTINGS BY CROP AND EXPECTED UTILIZATION,
UNITED STATES
(METRIC UNITS)

CROP AND UTILIZATION	PLANTED AREA			
	1984	1985		1986
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT INTENTIONS
	HECTARES			
ALL PROCESSING:				
SNAP BEANS	91 660	93 550	86 720	80 490
SWEET CORN	180 450	182 390	181 830	175 680
CUCUMBERS (PICKLES)	43 880	47 850	40 310	37 980
GREEN PEAS	140 090	147 960	147 800	126 310
TOMATOES	120 840	109 210	107 280	103 630
TOTAL	576 920	580 970	563 940	524 100
CANNING: 1/				
SNAP BEANS	64 600	67 320	61 530	56 060
SWEET CORN	119 380	114 690	114 450	108 080
GREEN PEAS	72 810	76 150	76 070	64 100
FREEZING: 1/				
SNAP BEANS	27 050	26 230	25 190	24 430
SWEET CORN	61 070	67 700	67 380	67 600
GREEN PEAS	67 280	71 810	71 730	62 210
	PRODUCTION			
	1984	1985		1986
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT INTENTIONS
	METRIC TONS			
TOMATOES	6 968 190	6 510 950	6 424 480	6 435 240

1/ UTILIZATION MAY NOT ADD TO TOTAL CROP BECAUSE OF ROUNDING.

SNAP BEANS FOR PROCESSING

STATE AND UTILIZATION	PLANTED AREA				CONTRACT CHANGE 1986/1985
	1984	1985		1986	
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT INTENTIONS	
	ACRES				PERCENT
ARK	4,100	3,700	3,700	3,500	95
FLA	2,700	1,400	790	500	63
IND	3,000	3,200	3,200	3,500	109
MICH	18,400	19,000	16,600	15,000	90
N J	8,900	8,900	8,900	5,000	56
N Y	35,100	35,000	33,200	29,700	89
N C		1,900	1,900	1,200	63
OREG	24,600	23,400	23,000	23,300	101
PA	5,300	4,700	4,600	5,500	120
TENN	5,400	5,200	5,200	5,900	113
WASH	1,200	1,500	1,500	1,900	127
WIS	78,800	89,600	78,300	73,800	94
OTH STS 1/	38,990	33,670	33,390	30,100	90
U S	226,490	231,170	214,280	19º,900	93
CANNING	159,640	166,350	152,040	138,530	91
FREEZING	66,850	64,820	62,240	60,370	97

1/ 1984-85 - ALA, CALIF, DEL, GA, IDAHO, ILL, IOWA, MD, MINN, MO, N C, OKLA, S C, TEX, UTAH, AND VA.
1986 - ALA, CALIF, DEL, GA, IDAHO, ILL, MD, MINN, MO, OHIO, OKLA, S C, TEX, UTAH, AND VA.

SWEET CORN FOR PROCESSING

STATE AND UTILIZATION	PLANTED AREA				CONTRACT CHANGE 1986/1985
	1984	1985		1986	
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT INTENTIONS	
	ACRES				PERCENT
DEL	5,200	4,600	4,500	5,900	131
IDAHO	17,700	17,900	17,900	17,400	97
ILL	37,400	38,100	38,100	29,800	78
MD	8,700	9,200	9,200	8,600	93
MINN	120,100	124,400	124,400	127,000	102
N Y	29,300	31,000	30,800	28,300	92
OREG	42,500	38,800	38,200	36,800	96
PA	3,900	4,200	4,200	3,800	90
WASH	35,600	39,100	39,100	38,700	99
WIS	136,300	136,200	135,700	131,700	97
OTH STS 1/	9,200	7,200	7,200	6,100	85
U S	445,900	450,700	449,300	434,100	97
CANNING	294,990	283,410	282,810	267,060	94
FREEZING	150,910	167,290	166,490	167,040	100

1/ 1984 - IND AND IOWA.
1985 - IND, IOWA, AND MICH.
1986 - IND, IOWA, N J, AND MICH.

CUCUMBERS FOR PICKLES

STATE	PLANTED AREA				CONTRACT CHANGE 1986/1985
	1984 TOTAL	1985 TOTAL	1985 CONTRACT	1986 CONTRACT INTENTIONS	
	ACRES				PERCENT
CALIF	3,400	4,100	3,600	3,200	89
COLO	2,400	2,600	2,600	2,100	81
DEL	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,600	107
FLA	5,100	5,200	2,400	2,400	100
IND	780	1,100	1,100	1,100	100
MD	3,500	4,000	3,900	3,400	87
MICH	22,000	25,000	19,000	18,500	97
N J	1,100	660	460	840	183
N C	28,700	29,400	22,900	19,200	84
OHIO	5,000	4,900	4,900	4,800	98
OREG	2,000	2,100	1,900	2,000	105
S C	9,400	14,200	13,700	11,500	84
TEX	6,800	6,100	5,200	6,800	131
WASH	1,500	1,700	1,600	1,500	94
WIS	8,100	7,000	6,700	6,500	97
OTH STS 1/	7,150	8,680	8,140	8,420	103
U S	108,430	118,240	99,600	93,860	94

1/ ALA, ARIZ, ARK, GA, IDAHO, KY, MASS, MINN, MISS, MO, NEBR, N Y, S DAK, AND VA.

GREEN PEAS FOR PROCESSING

STATE AND UTILIZATION	PLANTED AREA				CONTRACT CHANGE 1986/1985
	1984 TOTAL	1985 TOTAL	1985 CONTRACT	1986 CONTRACT INTENTIONS	
	ACRES				PERCENT
DEL	11,600	12,400	12,000	10,300	86
MD	2,600	1,900	1,900	1,600	84
MINN	78,300	83,900	83,900	81,000	97
N Y	9,600	12,100	12,100	9,600	79
OREG	36,000	37,100	37,100	35,200	95
WASH	66,300	63,700	63,700	57,000	89
WIS	91,000	102,100	102,100	78,800	77
OTH STS 1/	50,770	52,420	52,420	38,620	74
U S	346,170	365,620	365,220	312,120	85
CANNING	179,920	188,170	187,970	158,400	84
FREEZING	166,250	177,450	177,250	153,720	87

1/ CALIF, IDAHO, ILL, IOWA, MAINE, MICH, N J, PA, AND UTAH.

TOMATOES FOR PROCESSING

STATE	PLANTED AREA				CONTRACT CHANGE 1986/1985
	1984	1985		1986	
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT INTENTIONS	
	ACRES				PERCENT
CALIF	244,000	219,000	217,000	215,000	99
COLO	1,100	1,200	1,200	750	63
DEL	840	1,200	1,100		
IND	7,900	7,000	6,800	6,400	94
MD	3,100	2,400	2,300	1,100	48
MICH	8,000	6,800	6,600	5,600	85
N J	4,100	4,300	3,800	2,900	76
OHIO	16,500	16,500	16,500	15,200	92
PA	3,500	3,000	3,000	2,900	97
VA	1,300	1,500	1,300		
OTH STS 1/	8,260	6,960	5,500	6,230	113
U S	298,600	269,860	265,100	256,080	97

	PRODUCTION				CONTRACT CHANGE 1986/1985
	1984	1985		1986	
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT	
	TONS				PERCENT
CALIF	6,591,750	6,102,040	6,045,800	6,190,000	102
COLO	13,820	17,300	17,300	14,600	84
DEL	14,830	13,940	12,280		
IND	162,030	140,080	137,770	147,200	107
MD	52,580	41,170	40,160	16,150	40
MICH	173,900	166,320	162,540	131,000	81
N J	78,640	92,190	82,140	56,900	69
OHIO	389,550	404,970	404,970	370,000	91
PA	59,830	54,460	54,460	57,680	106
VA	14,400	25,200	23,400		
OTH STS 1/	129,830	119,460	100,990	110,150	109
U S	7,681,160	7,177,130	7,081,810	7,093,680	100

1/ 1984-85 - FLA, ILL, IOWA, N MEX, N Y, N C, S C, TEX, UTAH, AND W VA.
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Texas spring honeydew melon acreage for harvest is estimated at 5500 acres (2230 hectares), an increase of 10 percent from a year ago.

The major producing States expect to harvest 88.8 thousand acres (35.9 thousand hectares) of asparagus in 1986. This is 4 percent more than 1985.

The prospective area for harvest of strawberries in the major spring producing States is estimated at 28.8 thousand acres (11.7 thousand hectares), up 3 percent from last year.

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PROSPECTIVE AREA FOR HARVEST, SPRING SEASON, UNITED STATES
(DOMESTIC UNITS)

CROP	AREA HARVESTED 1984	AREA HARVESTED 1985	AREA FOR HARVEST 1986
	ACRES		
WINTER	174,900	185,000	177,800
SPRING			
BROCCOLI 1/	21,400	24,900	21,700
CARROTS 1/	16,500	15,200	13,700
CAULIFLOWER 1/	9,300	12,200	12,100
CELERY 1/	9,100	8,300	9,200
SWEET CORN	39,500	38,900	41,200
LETTUCE	38,500	38,100	34,400
TOMATOES	28,900	31,950	29,250
TOTAL 7 VEGETABLES	163,200	169,550	161,550
HONEYDEW MELONS	5,000	5,000	5,500
TOTAL SPRING CROP	168,200	174,550	167,050

1/ INCLUDES TOTAL FOR FRESH MARKET AND PROCESSING USES.

PROSPECTIVE AREA FOR HARVEST, SPRING SEASON, UNITED STATES
(METRIC UNITS)

CROP	AREA HARVESTED 1984	AREA HARVESTED 1985	AREA FOR HARVEST 1986
	HECTARES		
WINTER	70,780	74,870	71,950
SPRING			
BROCCOLI	8,660	10,080	8,780
CARROTS	6,680	6,150	5,540
CAULIFLOWER	3,760	4,940	4,900
CELERY	3,680	3,360	3,720
SWEET CORN	15,990	15,740	16,670
LETTUCE	15,580	15,420	13,920
TOMATOES	11,700	12,930	11,840
TOTAL 7 VEGETABLES	66,050	68,620	65,370
HONEYDEW MELONS	2,020	2,020	2,230
TOTAL SPRING CROP	68,070	70,640	67,600

VEGETABLES FOR FRESH MARKET, PROSPECTIVE AREA FOR HARVEST, SPRING SEASON

CROP AND STATE	USUAL HARVEST PERIOD	AREA HARVESTED 1984	AREA HARVESTED 1985	AREA FOR HARVEST 1986	1986 AREA HARVESTED AS PERCENT OF 1985
		ACRES			PERCENT
BROCCOLI: 1/					
CALIF	APR-JUN	21,400	24,900	21,700	87
CARROTS: 1/					
CALIF - OTHER	APR-JUN	7,400	7,300	7,100	97
FLA	APR-JUL	5,000	4,500	4,300	96
TEX	APR-JUN	4,100	3,400	2,300	68
GROUP TOTAL		16,500	15,200	13,700	90
CAULIFLOWER: 1/					
CALIF	APR-JUN	9,300	12,200	12,100	99
CELERY: 1/					
CALIF - SOUTH COAST	APR-JUL	4,500	4,400	4,500	102
- CENTRAL COAST	APR-JUL	700	700	800	114
FLA	APR-JUL	3,900	3,200	3,900	122
GROUP TOTAL		9,100	8,300	9,200	111
SWEET CORN:					
CALIF	MAY-JUN	6,000	5,500	5,700	104
FLA	APR-JUN	33,500	33,400	35,500	106
GROUP TOTAL		39,500	38,900	41,200	106
HONEYDEWS:					
TEX	MAY-JUL	5,000	5,000	5,500	110
LETTUCE:					
ARIZ - OTHER	MAR-JUN	3,700	4,900	3,500	71
CALIF - SAN JOAQUIN	MAR-MAY	11,200	9,500	9,000	95
- CENTRAL COAST	APR-MAY	15,600	16,400	14,700	90
FLA	APR-JUN	4,600	4,300	4,400	102
N J	MAY-JUL	1,500	1,400	1,300	93
N MEX	APR-JUN	1,900	1,600	1,500	94
GROUP TOTAL		38,500	38,100	34,400	90
TOMATOES:					
ALA	JUN-JUL	600	550	350	64
ARK	JUN-SEP	800	900	900	100
CALIF - DESERT	MAY-JUL	1,800	1,500	1,400	93
FLA	APR-JUN	18,500	21,500	20,300	94
S C	MAY-JUL	4,700	4,200	3,700	88
TEX	APR-JUN	2,500	3,300	2,600	79
GROUP TOTAL		28,900	31,950	29,250	92

1/ INCLUDES FRESH MARKET AND PROCESSING.

VEGETABLES FOR FRESH MARKET

CROP AND STATE	AREA HARVESTED 1984	AREA HARVESTED 1985	AREA FOR HARVEST 1986	YIELD PER ACRE 1984	YIELD PER ACRE 1985	YIELD PER ACRE 1986
	ACRES			CWT		
ASPARAGUS: 1/						
CALIF	34,200	35,200	37,700	25	28	
MICH	19,200	19,200	19,200	12	12	
N J	2,000	1,900	1,900	15	19	
WASH	29,000	29,000	30,000	25	28	
GROUP TOTAL	84,400	85,300	88,800	22	24	
ONIONS: 2/						
SPRING						
ARIZ 3/	2,300	1,200	1,200	350	470	
CALIF 3/	7,700	7,800	7,800	355	450	
TEX	18,600	17,000	16,000	180	190	240
GROUP TOTAL	28,600	26,000	25,000	241	281	
STRAWBERRIES: 1/						
WINTER						
FLA	5,100	5,300	4,900	170	200	180
SPRING						
CALIF	14,100	14,600	15,100	535	530	520
MICH	2,700	2,500	2,500	70	65	
N J	1,000	1,100	1,000	50	55	
OREG	6,600	6,800	7,200	92	74	
WASH	3,000	3,000	3,000	70	71	
GROUP TOTAL	27,400	28,000	28,800	314	310	
MAJOR STATES TOTAL	32,500	33,300	33,700	291	292	

	PRODUCTION 1984	PRODUCTION 1985	PRODUCTION 1986
	1,000 CWT		
ASPARAGUS: 1/			
CALIF	855	986	
MICH	230	230	
N J	30	36	
WASH	725	812	
GROUP TOTAL	1,840	2,064	
ONIONS: 2/			
SPRING			
ARIZ 3/	805	564	
CALIF 3/	2,734	3,510	
TEX	3,348	3,230	3,840
GROUP TOTAL	6,887	7,304	
STRAWBERRIES: 1/			
WINTER			
FLA	867	1,060	882
SPRING			
CALIF	7,544	7,738	7,852
MICH	189	163	
N J	50	61	
OREG	607	503	
WASH	210	213	
GROUP TOTAL	8,600	8,678	
MAJOR STATES TOTAL	9,467	9,738	

1/ INCLUDES FRESH AND PROCESSING. 2/ PRIMARILY FRESH MARKET. 3/ FIRST FORECAST WILL BE PUBLISHED ON JUN 9.

ASPARAGUS: Preliminary acreage for harvest in the major States is estimated at 88.8 thousand acres (35.9 thousand hectares), 4 percent more than 1985.

Asparagus harvest in Michigan should get off to a good start if warm weather continues. Above normal temperatures in late March indicate an early spring.

Higher prices and yields have led Washington growers to plant more acreage in the past few years. Older fields are being replaced with more productive varieties which are beginning to reach maturity. Yields are expected to be slightly higher than last year.

BROCCOLI: Prospective spring season area for harvest is estimated at 21.7 thousand acres (8780 hectares), down 13 percent from 1985. Spring broccoli acreage in California is mainly in central and southern coastal counties. Warm weather accelerated development in February and early March. Supplies were generally in line with demand by April 1.

CARROTS: Spring season acreage for harvest is estimated at 13.7 thousand acres (5540), a decrease of 10 percent from a year ago.

In Florida, harvest is increasing seasonally with a good supply currently available. Principal volume of regular carrots is being produced in the Zellwood area. Steady supplies of minis are being dug in the Everglades area. Quality and yields are generally good.

Growing conditions have been good for the Texas spring crop. Irrigation has been necessary due to dry conditions. Demand and price have been low for early harvest.

California's spring carrot crop appears to be in good condition in the Kern district and the Salinas Valley. Currently, most carrots are coming from Desert acreage.

CAULIFLOWER: Prospective area for the California spring season is estimated at 12.1 thousand acres (4900 hectares), a decrease of 1 percent from 1985. Spring cauliflower in California has shown accelerated development due to above normal temperatures. Harvest has moved from the Desert to the Central Coast.

CELERY: The spring season prospective area for harvest is estimated at 9200 acres (3720 hectares), an increase of 11 percent from last year.

Harvest is active in the Florida Everglades and central areas. Quality and size of stalks are mostly good. Transplantings are decreasing seasonally in the Everglades. Central area planting is expected to continue through mid-April.

Transplanting and direct seeding of celery occurred in the central district of California. Harvest continues on the south coast. Low prices have caused some abandonment. Growing conditions have been near normal.

SWEET CORN: Sweet corn acreage for harvest during the spring is forecast at 41.2 thousand acres (16.7 thousand hectares), an increase of 6 percent from 1985.

In Florida, light harvest is underway in the Dade County, Pompano, and Everglades areas. Quality and yields are mostly good. Seasonal increase in supply is expected to continue for the balance of this spring crop. Cold and wind in March damaged some young fields in the central and Everglades areas. Most acreage, that was damaged too heavily for recovery, has been replanted. Improving weather with light to moderate showers by the end of the month benefited growth and recovery of young plants.

Harvest of California's early sweet corn crop should begin about the first of May in the Coachella Valley. Picking in south coast counties should begin about the first of June.

HONEYDEW MELONS: The spring area for harvest is expected to total 5500 acres (2230 hectares), an increase of 10 percent from last year. Planting was completed on schedule in Texas. Growth has been good. Weather conditions have been mild but very dry.

LETTUCE: Spring lettuce acreage for harvest is forecast at 34.4 thousand acres (13.9 thousand hectares), down 10 percent from a year ago.

In Florida, harvest continues active in the Everglades area with good supplies of iceberg, romaine and specialty types available. In central areas, cooler weather late in March has slowed growth. Increasing supplies are expected into April. Quality in all areas is mostly good. Planting is beginning to decline seasonally.

Harvest of Arizona's central district lettuce deal began the second week in March, followed by the Marana-Eloy district the last week of the month. Unseasonably warm temperatures caused minor tip burn in late March, but quality has been excellent of late. Lettuce harvest in the southeast area is expected to begin by May 10th.

Weather has been very favorable for California's spring lettuce crop. Harvest started in the Kern district about March 14 and in the Huron district March 20. Very light cutting was expected on the central coast early in April.

ONIONS: Texas spring onion production is forecast at 3.84 million cwt (174 thousand metric tons), up 19 percent from last year and 15 percent above 1984.

In the Rio Grande Valley, harvest began in early March, two weeks earlier than normal. Yields have been good to excellent. Open weather allowed good progress on harvesting through March.

In other Texas areas, harvest is expected to begin on schedule. In the San Antonio-Winter Garden area, growth and maturing have been good. Some minor weather damage has occurred, but overall quality is good. In the Laredo area, irrigation has been heavy due to dry conditions.

STRAWBERRY: The major spring producing States estimate acreage for harvest at 28.8 thousand acres (11.7 thousand hectares), up 3 percent from last spring.

Michigan temperatures in late March have been above normal which would indicate an early spring. Winter weather caused very little damage. Soil moisture is good.

The strawberry harvest in California was slowed, and even halted in some areas, by rains in mid to late February. Once harvest resumed, the quality of the berries were not what it had been before the rains. This resulted in some cullage. As new berries matured, quality improved and volume increased.

Most Oregon fields are in very good shape. Cold weather from late November through early January caused limited damage, although a majority of fields wintered over well. Warmer than normal weather since January combined with timely rains has fields developing normally. Early varieties have just started to bloom.

Western Washington strawberry producers appear to have survived the November 1985 freeze without appreciable damage. Strawberries started to green up with the arrival of warmer temperatures during the first half of March. By the middle of the month, growers began fertilizing and cutting back plants.

TOMATOES: The estimate of spring acreage for harvest is down 8 percent from 1985 to 29.3 thousand acres (11.8 thousand hectares).

In Florida, harvest is increasing as new acreage comes into production in the Ft. Pierce-Pompano and southwest areas. Dade County is currently providing the bulk of supplies, but is beginning the seasonal decline. Spring acreage in the Palmetto-Ruskin area is making good growth and progress. Older fields are at bloom and fruit set stage. Light harvest is expected to begin in April and increase rapidly. Fruit size and quality are generally good. Planting for spring harvest is rapidly drawing to a close. A freeze in late March caused some of South Carolina's tomato crop to be replanted. Except for the freeze, conditions have generally been good. Alabama tomato growers have indicated a decline in acres for harvest in the spring quarter this year. Planting has progressed on schedule, although a setback was encountered on March 21 when a cold front moved across the State. Temperatures dipped below freezing in most areas, killing many of the young tomato plants. Producers, who usually have tomatoes ready for harvest during the spring quarter, will not have tomatoes until later in the summer due to stunned plants and replanting.

Planting conditions were good both in East Texas and Rio Grande Valley. The weather has since turned dry and many fields are being watered. Plants in most fields are up and growing. Some fruit is setting in the Rio Grande Valley. Light frost over East Texas in mid-March caused minor damage. Harvest is expected to begin on schedule.

California's desert tomato crop appears to be making good progress. Due to warm weather in January and February harvest maybe somewhat earlier than last year.

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SPRING ONIONS: Texas onion production is forecast at 4.80 million cwt (218 thousand metric tons), a jump of 49 percent above last year and one-fourth above last month's forecast.

In the Rio Grande Valley, open weather allowed producers to make good progress on harvesting activities. By the end of April, harvesting was winding down. Yields have been excellent, resulting in an abundance of onions. Most harvesting will be complete by mid-May.

In the San Antonio-Winter Garden area, harvest should begin in early May, about two weeks ahead of schedule. In Laredo, harvest should be in full swing by early May, with good yields expected.

SUMMER, NON-STORAGE ONIONS: Acreage of summer, non-storage onions is set at 10.7 thousand acres (4330 hectares) for harvest in 1986. This is up 8 percent from last year, but 4 percent short of 1984 acreage harvested.

Texas acreage, at 4.9 thousand acres, is up 20 percent while New Mexico and Washington, at 4.5 thousand acres and 1.3 thousand acres respectively, remain at the same level as last year.

In the Texas High Plains, planting was about complete by late April. Onions are making good progress under steady irrigation. Transplants seem to be in better condition than last year. In the Trans-Pecos area, planting was winding down by late April. Later planted fields look better than early fields. Conditions have been dry.

In Washington, winter damage in the Walla Walla area is expected to hold yield down to slightly above last year's levels. There has been limited replanting of damaged fields.

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CROP	AREA HARVESTED 1984	AREA HARVESTED 1985	AREA FOR HARVEST 1986	YIELD PER ACRE 1984	YIELD PER ACRE 1985	YIELD PER ACRE 1986
	ACRES			CWT		
ONIONS 1/						
SPRING:						
ARIZ	2,300	1,200	1,200	350	470	
CALIF	7,700	7,800	7,800	355	450	
TEX	18,600	17,000	16,000	180	190	300
GROUP TOTAL	28,600	26,000	25,000	241	281	
SUMMER:						
NON-STORAGE						
N MEX	3,900	4,500	4,500	350	325	
TEX	6,000	4,100	4,900	260	230	
WASH	1,200	1,300	1,300	360	300	
GROUP TOTAL	11,100	9,900	10,700	302	282	

CROP	PRODUCTION 1984	PRODUCTION 1985	PRODUCTION 1986
	1,000 CWT		
ONIONS 1/			
SPRING:			
ARIZ	805	564	
CALIF	2,734	3,510	
TEX	3,348	3,230	4,800
GROUP TOTAL	6,887	7,304	
SUMMER:			
NON-STORAGE			
N MEX	1,365	1,463	
TEX	1,560	943	
WASH	432	390	
GROUP TOTAL	3,357	2,796	

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ONIONS: Spring onion production is forecast at 8.93 million cwt (405 thousand metric tons), up 22 percent from last year and 30 percent above 1984. Area for harvest is set at 25.0 thousand acres (10.1 thousand hectares), down 4 percent from last year and 13 percent short of 1984 acreage. The average yield per acre jumped to 357 cwt, up sharply from last year's 281 cwt.

Texas harvest was all but over in the Rio Grande Valley by late May with most growers finishing two to three weeks earlier than normal. Yields remained good throughout the season. Harvest in the San Antonio-Winter Garden area began ahead of schedule and is underway in Laredo. Rain during late May halted progress. Yields have been good.

Harvest of Arizona's spring onion crop began the last week of April, 7-10 days ahead of the usual starting date. Quality and yields have been good so far, with clipping to continue through June. In California, growing conditions have been excellent. Harvest began about two weeks early, but sizes are smaller than normal in some areas.

STRAWBERRIES: The New Jersey strawberry crop weathered the winter without significant damage. Harvest began the last of May. Good supplies and quality are available. Irrigation has been in use, where available, because of the dry weather.

The Michigan strawberry crop was damaged by late April and early May freezes. New plantings were set back by these freezes and the exceptionally hard winter. Crop development has been slowed by dry weather in the Upper Peninsula and cold, wet weather in the Lower Peninsula. Picking started in southern Michigan the last of May and should begin in central Michigan in mid-June.

Many western Washington growers are reporting some winter damage due to the November 1985 freeze. There were a few reports of weevil damage, but the problem does not appear to be wide spread. Reports of late spring frost damage have been common, and the Totem variety appears to have sustained the heaviest damage. Cool, wet, late spring weather has slowed crop progress and picking will begin about a week later than normal.

A colder than normal winter caused limited damage to Oregon's strawberry fields. Warm weather in March speeded development and caused the crop to bloom about two weeks ahead of normal. Freezes during bloom caused damage and reduced crop prospects. Picking began in late May and is expected to peak in mid-June.

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VEGETABLES FOR FRESH MARKET

CROP AND STATE	AREA HARVESTED 1984	AREA HARVESTED 1985	AREA FOR HARVEST 1986	YIELD PER ACRE 1984	YIELD PER ACRE 1985	YIELD PER ACRE 1986
	ACRES			CWT		
ONIONS:						
SPRING						
ARIZ	2,300	1,200	1,200	350	470	550
CALIF	7,700	7,800	7,800	355	450	445
TEX	18,600	17,000	16,000	180	190	300
GROUP TOTAL	28,600	26,000	25,000	241	281	357
STRAWBERRIES: 1/						
WINTER						
FLA	5,100	5,300	4,900	170	200	180
SPRING						
CALIF	14,100	14,600	15,100	535	530	520
MICH	2,700	2,500	2,500	70	65	63
N J	1,000	1,100	1,000	50	55	50
OREG	6,600	6,800	7,300	92	74	85
WASH	3,000	3,000	3,000	70	71	70
GROUP TOTAL	27,400	28,000	28,900	314	310	308
MAJOR STATES TOTAL	32,500	33,300	33,800	291	292	289

	PRODUCTION 1984	PRODUCTION 1985	PRODUCTION 1986
	1,000 CWT		
ONIONS:			
SPRING			
ARIZ	805	564	660
CALIF	2,734	3,510	3,471
TEX	3,348	3,230	4,800
GROUP TOTAL	6,887	7,304	8,931
STRAWBERRIES: 1/			
WINTER			
FLA	867	1,060	882
SPRING			
CALIF	7,544	7,738	7,852
MICH	189	163	158
N J	50	61	50
OREG	607	503	621
WASH	210	213	210
GROUP TOTAL	8,600	8,678	8,891
MAJOR STATES TOTAL	9,467	9,738	9,773

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PROCESSING VEGETABLES ACREAGE DOWN 9 PERCENT

Contracted acreage for 4 major processed vegetable crops is estimated at 1.18 million acres (478 thousand hectares), down 9 percent from last year and 2 percent below March intentions. All four of the crops show acreage drops from last year led by a 20 percent reduction in green peas. Snap bean contracts are down 7 percent, sweet corn acreage is down 5 percent, and tomato acreage is off 2 percent. Acreage under canning contracts total 819 thousand acres in 1986, down 8 percent from last year. Freezing contracts cover 362 thousand acres, down 11 percent.

Tomato production under contract is expected to total 7.24 million tons, a gain of 2 percent from last year.

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SNAP BEANS: Processing snap bean acreage is estimated at 200 thousand acres (81 thousand hectares), down 7 percent from last year. Canning acreage, at 141 thousand acres, is off 7 percent; while acreage for freezers, at 59.4 thousand acres, is down 5 percent. Among the leading States, Wisconsin acreage is down 2 percent, and New York is off 13 percent. These reductions are partially countered by a 3 percent gain in Oregon and an 8 percent increase in Michigan.

SWEET CORN: Area planted to processing sweet corn is set at 428 thousand acres (173 thousand hectares), down 5 percent from last year. Canning acreage, at 266 thousand acres, is down 6 percent while freezers have contracted 162 thousand acres, 2 percent less than last year. Among the major States, only Minnesota and Delaware planted more acreage than last year, by 2 percent and 27 percent, respectively. Wisconsin is down 4 percent, Washington is off 8 percent, Oregon is down 7 percent, and Illinois is off 19 percent.

GREEN PEAS: Of the four processing crops, acreage of green peas has the largest percentage cut. Processors are asking for 293 thousand acres (118 thousand hectares), down 20 percent from last year. Canning acreage, at 153 thousand acres, is off 19 percent and freezing acreage of 140 thousand acres is off 21 percent. Each of the major producing States show fewer acres than last year; dominated by Wisconsin, off 25 percent; Washington, down 20 percent and Minnesota, down 8 percent.

TOMATOES FOR CANNING: Canners have contracted 259 thousand acres (105 thousand hectares) of tomatoes for 1986, down 2 percent from last year. California acreage is down slightly, and Ohio acreage is down 5 percent. Michigan and Indiana acreage dropped 14 and 6 percent, respectively.

Production of tomatoes is forecast at 7.24 million tons (6.57 million metric tons), up 2 percent from last year. California tonnage, at 6.31 million tons, is expected to be up 4 percent.

PRELIMINARY PLANTINGS BY CROP AND EXPECTED UTILIZATION,
UNITED STATES
(DOMESTIC UNITS)

CROP AND UTILIZATION	PLANTED AREA				CONTRACT CHANGE
	1984	1985		1986	1986/1985
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT	
	ACRES				PERCENT
ALL PROCESSING:					
SNAP BEANS	226,490	231,370	214,480	200,230	93
SWEET CORN	445,900	450,700	449,300	428,330	95
GREEN PEAS	346,170	365,620	365,220	292,720	80
TOMATOES	298,600	269,860	265,100	259,090	98
TOTAL	1,317,160	1,317,550	1,294,100	1,180,370	91
CANNING:					
SNAP BEANS	159,640	166,350	152,040	140,820	93
SWEET CORN	294,990	283,410	282,810	265,910	94
GREEN PEAS	179,920	188,170	187,970	153,050	81
FREEZING:					
SNAP BEANS	66,850	65,020	62,440	59,410	95
SWEET CORN	150,910	167,290	166,490	162,420	98
GREEN PEAS	166,250	177,450	177,250	139,670	79
	PRODUCTION				CONTRACT CHANGE
	1984	1985		1986	1986/1985
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT	
	TONS				PERCENT
TOMATOES	7,681,160	7,177,130	7,081,810	7,240,790	102

PRELIMINARY PLANTINGS BY CROP AND EXPECTED UTILIZATION,
UNITED STATES
(METRIC UNITS)

CROP AND UTILIZATION	PLANTED AREA			
	1984	1985		1986
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT
	HECTARES			
ALL PROCESSING:				
SNAP BEANS	91 660	93 630	86 800	81 030
SWEET CORN	180 450	182 390	181 830	173 340
GREEN PEAS	140 090	147 960	147 800	118 460
TOMATOES	120 840	109 210	107 280	104 850
TOTAL	533 040	533 190	523 710	477 680
CANNING: 1/				
SNAP BEANS	64 600	67 320	61 530	56 990
SWEET CORN	119 380	114 690	114 450	107 610
GREEN PEAS	72 810	76 150	76 070	61 940
FREEZING: 1/				
SNAP BEANS	27 050	26 310	25 270	24 040
SWEET CORN	61 070	67 700	67 380	65 730
GREEN PEAS	67 280	71 810	71 730	56 520
	PRODUCTION			
	1984	1985		1986
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT
	METRIC TONS			
TOMATOES	6 968 190	6 510 950	6 424 480	6 568 700

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SNAP BEANS FOR PROCESSING

STATE AND UTILIZATION	PLANTED AREA				CONTRACT CHANGE 1986/1985
	1984	1985		1986	
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT	
	ACRES				PERCENT
ARK	4,100	3,700	3,700	3,000	81
FLA	2,700	1,400	790	200	25
IND	3,000	3,200	3,200	2,700	84
MICH	18,400	19,000	16,600	18,000	108
N J	8,900	8,900	8,900	5,700	64
N Y	35,100	35,000	33,200	29,000	87
OREG	24,600	23,400	23,000	23,600	103
PA	5,300	4,700	4,600	5,400	117
TENN	5,400	5,200	5,200	5,600	108
WASH	1,200	1,700	1,700	1,200	71
WIS	78,800	89,600	78,300	76,400	98
OTH STS 1/	38,990	35,570	35,290	29,430	83
U S	226,490	231,370	214,480	200,230	93
CANNING	159,640	166,350	152,040	140,820	93
FREEZING	66,850	65,020	62,440	59,410	95

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SWEET CORN FOR PROCESSING

STATE AND UTILIZATION	PLANTED AREA				CONTRACT CHANGE 1986/1985
	1984	1985		1986	
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT	
	ACRES				PERCENT
DEL	5,200	4,600	4,500	5,700	127
IDAHO	17,700	17,900	17,900	17,300	97
ILL	37,400	38,100	38,100	31,000	81
MD	8,700	9,200	9,200	8,000	87
MINN	120,100	124,400	124,400	126,800	102
N Y	29,300	31,000	30,800	27,600	90
OREG	42,500	38,800	38,200	35,700	93
PA	3,900	4,200	4,200	3,200	76
WASH	35,600	39,100	39,100	35,800	92
WIS	136,300	136,200	135,700	130,800	96
OTH STS 1/	9,200	7,200	7,200	6,430	89
U S	445,900	450,700	449,300	428,330	95
CANNING	294,990	283,410	282,810	265,910	94
FREEZING	150,910	167,290	166,490	162,420	98

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GREEN PEAS FOR PROCESSING

STATE AND UTILIZATION	PLANTED AREA				CONTRACT CHANGE 1986/1985
	1984	1985		1986	
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT	
	ACRES				PERCENT
DEL	11,600	12,400	12,000	10,500	88
MD	2,600	1,900	1,900	1,600	84
MINN	78,300	83,900	83,900	77,300	92
N Y	9,600	12,100	12,100	9,400	78
OREG	36,000	37,100	37,100	29,900	81
WASH	66,300	63,700	63,700	50,700	80
WIS	91,000	102,100	102,100	76,100	75
OTH STS 1/	50,770	52,420	52,420	37,220	71
U S	346,170	365,620	365,220	292,720	80
CANNING	179,920	188,170	187,970	153,050	81
FREEZING	166,250	177,450	177,250	139,670	79

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TOMATOES FOR PROCESSING

STATE	PLANTED AREA				CONTRACT CHANGE 1986/1985
	1984	1985		1986	
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT	
	ACRES				PERCENT
CALIF	244,000	219,000	217,000	216,000	100
COLO	1,100	1,200	1,200	720	60
DEL	840	1,200	1,100		
IND	7,900	7,000	6,800	6,400	94
MD	3,100	2,400	2,300	2,000	87
MICH	8,000	6,800	6,600	5,700	86
N J	4,100	4,300	3,800	3,100	82
OHIO	16,500	16,500	16,500	15,600	95
PA	3,500	3,000	3,000	3,100	103
VA	1,300	1,500	1,300		
OTH STS 1/	8,260	6,960	5,500	6,470	118
U S	298,600	269,860	265,100	259,090	98

	PRODUCTION				CONTRACT CHANGE 1986/1985
	1984	1985		1986	
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT	
	TONS				PERCENT
CALIF	6,591,750	6,102,040	6,045,800	6,310,000	104
COLO	13,820	17,300	17,300	14,050	81
DEL	14,830	13,940	12,280		
IND	162,030	140,080	137,770	140,090	102
MD	52,580	41,170	40,160	36,180	90
MICH	173,900	166,320	162,540	135,000	83
N J	78,640	92,190	82,140	59,700	73
OHIO	389,550	404,970	404,970	373,000	92
PA	59,830	54,460	54,460	60,830	112
VA	14,400	25,200	23,400		
OTH STS 1/	129,830	119,460	100,990	111,940	111
U S	7,681,160	7,177,130	7,081,810	7,240,790	102

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PROSPECTIVE AREA FOR HARVEST, SUMMER SEASON,
UNITED STATES
(DOMESTIC UNITS)

CROP	AREA HARVESTED 1984	AREA HARVESTED 1985	AREA FOR HARVEST 1985
	ACRES		
WINTER	174,900	185,000	177,800
SPRING	168,200	174,550	167,050
SUMMER			
BROCCOLI 1/	17,900	18,500	18,600
CARROTS 1/	26,300	23,700	25,700
CAULIFLOWER 1/	14,300	13,800	13,700
CELERY 1/	8,450	7,210	7,170
SWEET CORN	111,900	111,900	112,000
LETTUCE	49,300	49,700	47,000
TOMATOES	49,100	49,900	48,200
TOTAL 7 VEGETABLES	277,250	274,710	272,370
HONEYDEW MELONS	15,100	17,700	18,300
TOTAL SUMMER CROP	292,350	292,410	290,670

1/ INCLUDES FRESH MARKET AND PROCESSING.

PROSPECTIVE AREA FOR HARVEST, SUMMER SEASON,
UNITED STATES
(METRIC UNITS)

CROP	AREA HARVESTED 1984	AREA HARVESTED 1985	AREA FOR HARVEST 1986
	HECTARES		
WINTER	70,780	74,870	71,950
SPRING	68,070	70,640	67,600
SUMMER			
BROCCOLI	7,240	7,490	7,530
CARROTS	10,640	9,590	10,400
CAULIFLOWER	5,790	5,580	5,540
CELERY	3,420	2,920	2,900
SWEET CORN	45,280	45,280	45,330
LETTUCE	19,950	20,110	19,020
TOMATOES	19,870	20,190	19,510
TOTAL 7 VEGETABLES	112,190	111,160	110,230
HONEYDEW MELONS	6,110	7,160	7,410
TOTAL SUMMER CROP	118,300	118,320	117,640

VEGETABLES FOR FRESH MARKET, PROSPECTIVE AREA FOR HARVEST
SUMMER SEASON

CROP AND STATE	USUAL HARVEST PERIOD	AREA HARVESTED 1984	AREA HARVESTED 1985	AREA FOR HARVEST 1986	1986 AREA HARVESTED AS PERCENT OF 1985
		ACRES			PERCENT
BROCCOLI: 1/					
CALIF	JUL-SEP	17,900	18,500	18,600	101
CARROTS: 1/					
CALIF - OTHER	JUL-SEP	7,700	7,400	7,600	103
MICH	JUL-NOV	7,500	6,400	7,300	114
N Y	JUN-DEC	1,600	1,400	1,500	107
WASH	AUG-DEC	4,300	5,200	5,900	113
WIS	AUG-OCT	5,200	3,300	3,400	103
GROUP TOTAL		26,300	23,700	25,700	108
CAULIFLOWER: 1/					
CALIF	JUL-SEP	10,400	9,900	9,700	98
N Y - LONG ISLAND	JUL-DEC	2,000	2,000	1,800	90
- UPSTATE	JUL-DEC	1,900	1,900	2,200	116
GROUP TOTAL		14,300	13,800	13,700	99
CELERY: 1/					
CALIF - CENTRAL COAST	JUL-SEP	3,800	3,400	3,400	100
MICH	MAY-SEP	3,900	3,200	3,300	103
N Y	JUL-NOV	750	610	470	77
GROUP TOTAL		8,450	7,210	7,170	99
SWEET CORN:					
CALIF	JUL-SEP	8,200	7,000	7,600	109
CONN	JUL-OCT	4,500	4,900	4,700	96
ILL	JUL-OCT	3,800	3,900	3,900	100
MASS	JUL-OCT	8,100	7,900	7,700	97
MICH	JUL-OCT	12,300	12,000	12,500	104
N J	JUL-OCT	12,500	12,800	12,200	95
N Y	JUL-OCT	26,800	28,400	28,400	100
N C	JUN-JUL	4,800	5,000	4,500	90
OHIO	JUL-OCT	15,000	15,200	15,200	100
PA	JUL-SEP	15,900	14,800	15,300	103
GROUP TOTAL		111,900	111,900	112,000	100
HONEYDEWS:					
ARIZ	JUN-JUL	1,700	1,600	1,800	113
CALIF - SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY	JUL-SEP	7,200	7,900	9,200	116
- SACRAMENTO VALLEY	JUL-SEP	6,200	8,200	7,300	89
GROUP TOTAL		15,100	17,700	18,300	103
LETTUCE:					
CALIF - CENTRAL COAST	JUN-AUG	42,700	42,600	40,600	95
COLO	JUL-SEP	2,800	3,400	2,800	82
N Y	JUN-OCT	3,800	3,700	3,600	97
GROUP TOTAL		49,300	49,700	47,000	95
TOMATOES:					
ALA	JUL-SEP	2,500	2,500	2,400	96
ARK	JUN-JUL	1,100	800	700	88
CALIF - SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY	JUN-NOV	17,800	19,800	18,800	95
- CENTRAL COAST	JUN-SEP	3,900	3,800	4,100	108
- SOUTH COAST	JUN-NOV	4,400	3,500	2,700	77
MICH	JUL-SEP	3,500	3,200	3,300	103
N J	JUL-OCT	6,000	6,300	6,200	98
N Y	JUL-OCT	3,000	2,800	2,800	100
PA	JUL-OCT	4,500	4,800	4,900	102
VA	JUN-SEP	2,400	2,400	2,300	96
GROUP TOTAL		49,100	49,900	48,200	97

1/ INCLUDES FRESH MARKET AND PROCESSING.

BROCCOLI: The prospective area for harvest in California during July-September is estimated at 18.6 thousand acres (7530 hectares), up 1 percent from the same period last year.

The crop is on schedule. Weather has been very favorable and fields are in good condition. Harvest is very active in the Salinas and Santa Maria areas.

CARROTS: Prospective area for harvest during the summer season is estimated at 25.7 thousand acres (10.4 thousand hectares), an 8 percent increase from the summer of 1985.

Michigan's carrot crop development has been slowed due to cold wet weather. Some acreage has been replanted.

Harvest of California's summer carrot crop is increasing in the Kern district and the Salinas Valley as Desert volume slows. Weather has been favorable and fields are in good condition.

Carrots are in good condition in Washington. Crop progress is normal for this time of year.

CAULIFLOWER: The prospective area for harvest in New York and California during the summer season is estimated at 13.7 thousand acres (5540 hectares), which is 1 percent less than a year ago.

Cauliflower in California was aided by mostly favorable weather. Harvest was moderate with generally good quality from both the Salinas and Santa Maria areas.

CELERY: During the summer, 7170 acres (2900 hectares) of celery are estimated for harvest. This is 1 percent less than a year ago.

Michigan celery got off to a good start with growth and development near normal. The outlook for Michigan celery is good.

Celery planting continued active in the central coast area of California. Harvest was nearly complete in south coast counties. Several acres were abandoned. Harvest in the central coast became more active.

SWEET CORN: Summer sweet corn acreage for harvest, in the major producing States, is estimated at 112 thousand acres (45.3 thousand hectares), fractionally more than the same period a year ago.

North Carolina's sweet corn harvest has been active since mid - late June and is expected to continue through July. Roadside markets are selling corn as fast as the crop can be picked.

Sweet corn planting was completed on schedule in New Jersey. Dry weather during May and June limited growth. Light harvest of sweet corn planted under plastic began in late June for sales at local roadside stands. Open field planted sweet corn is expected to be available about July 10th.

Planting of the Ohio sweet corn crop started early, about April 1, in the central area. Subsequent frost on April 22 and 29 damaged new growth and in some instances the crop was replanted. Some acreage was lost in northern areas due to heavy rainfall and flooding. Harvest of the crop in southern areas started about June 23 and by July 1 had moved to mid-State. Volume harvest will be underway after the first week of July in many areas.

Development of Michigan's sweet corn has been slowed by the wet cool weather. Warm temperatures will benefit the crop.

Harvest of sweet corn was slowing in the Imperial Valley of California but gaining momentum in other areas. The peak harvest period is expected in about two or three weeks.

HONEYDEW MELONS: Honeydew melon acreage for harvest during the summer is estimated at 18.3 thousand acres (7410 hectares), 3 percent more than a year ago.

Harvest of honeydew melons began the last week of May in western Arizona and the second week of June in central areas. Size and quality have been good to date.

Weather has been favorable for planting and development of California's melon crops. Harvest is underway in southern California and will be active shortly in the San Joaquin Valley.

LETTUCE: Lettuce for harvest during the summer is estimated at 47.0 thousand acres (19.0 thousand hectares), 5 percent below the 1985 summer estimates.

California's lettuce acreage for the summer harvest period is in good condition. Weather has been favorable and shipments are moderate to heavy from central coast districts.

TOMATOES: Prospective area for harvest during the summer season is estimated at 48.2 thousand acres (19.5 thousand hectares), 3 percent below the area harvested a year ago.

In New Jersey, tomato planting was virtually completed by June 1st. Dry weather in May and June have limited growth. Recent rains have improved conditions. Light harvest of tomatoes began the third week of June, good supplies are expected to reach markets in mid-July.

Harvesting has begun in most areas of Virginia. Dry conditions will affect yields on non-irrigated farms. Peak volume is expected by mid-July.

Alabama's tomato crop is in fair to good condition. Summer harvest has begun and is about a week ahead of last year. Growing conditions have been hampered in many areas by dry weather.

Michigan's tomato crop is developing at a normal pace. Stands are good.

California's non-desert tomato crop has shown good growth and development. Progress is about two weeks ahead of normal. Harvest is in full swing in most areas and past peak in a few growing districts.

VEGETABLES FOR FRESH MARKET

CROP AND STATE	AREA HARVESTED 1984	AREA HARVESTED 1985	AREA FOR HARVEST 1986	YIELD PER ACRE 1984	YIELD PER ACRE 1985	YIELD PER ACRE 1986
	ACRES			CWT		
ONIONS:						
SPRING 1/	28,600	26,000	25,000	241	281	357
SUMMER 1/						
NON-STORAGE:						
N MEX	3,900	4,500	4,600	350	325	450
TEX	6,000	4,100	4,900	260	230	210
WASH	1,200	1,300	1,300	360	300	340
TOTAL	11,100	9,900	10,800	302	282	328
STORAGE:						
COLO	12,200	12,600	11,300	380	425	
IDAHO & MALHEUR	15,500	16,400	15,500	505	550	
MICH	8,500	7,800	7,600	345	325	
MINN	650	670	600	240	290	
N Y	14,100	13,200	12,800	240	300	
OHIO	500	490	470	410	450	
OREG - OTHER	3,200	3,500	3,200	400	430	
UTAH	2,200	1,600	1,400	315	450	
WASH	4,300	4,300	4,400	450	410	
WIS	1,600	1,300	1,300	340	335	
SUBTOTAL	62,750	61,860	58,570	376	416	
CALIF 2/	26,900	25,000	25,500	365	370	
TOTAL SUMMER	100,750	96,760	94,870	365	390	
U S	129,350	122,760	119,870	338	367	

	PRODUCTION 1984	PRODUCTION 1985	PRODUCTION 1986
	1,000 CWT		
ONIONS:			
SPRING 1/	6,887	7,304	8,931
SUMMER 1/			
NON-STORAGE:			
N MEX	1,365	1,463	2,070
TEX	1,560	943	1,029
WASH	432	390	442
TOTAL	3,357	2,796	3,541
STORAGE:			
COLO	4,636	5,355	
IDAHO & MALHEUR	7,828	9,020	
MICH	2,933	2,535	
MINN	156	194	
N Y	3,384	3,960	
OHIO	205	221	
OREG - OTHER	1,280	1,505	
UTAH	693	720	
WASH	1,935	1,763	
WIS	544	436	
SUBTOTAL	23,594	25,709	
CALIF 2/	9,819	9,250	
TOTAL SUMMER	36,770	37,755	
U S	43,657	45,059	

1/ PRIMARILY FRESH MARKET. 2/ PRIMARILY FOR PROCESSING.

SUMMER ONIONS: Acreage of summer onions for harvest is forecast at 94.9 thousand acres (38.4 thousand hectares), down 2 percent from last year and 6 percent below two years ago.

NON-STORAGE production is forecast at 3.54 million cwt (161 thousand metric tons), a gain of 27 percent over last year and 5 percent above 1984. Area for harvest, at 10.8 thousand acres (4370 hectares), is up 9 percent from last year but 3 percent short of two years ago. The average expected yield of 328 cwt per acre is up 46 cwt from last year. Harvest is in progress in most areas. New Mexico production is expected to be up 41 percent from last year. Washington and Texas also anticipate larger crops. Texas fields received some hail damage and excessive rain, but crop growth has been good.

STORAGE ONIONS: Harvest area for storage onions (except California) is set at 58.6 thousand acres (23.7 thousand hectares), down 5 percent from last year and 7 percent below 1984. California acreage (mostly processing), at 25.5 thousand acres (10.3 thousand hectares), gained 2 percent from 1985 but was 5 percent below 1984.

Michigan growers report slow growth because of wind and cold weather. New York acreage is down 3 percent from last year, while onion development in Ohio is about normal. In western Idaho and eastern Oregon, stands are thin and spotty because of hot weather since late May. California fields have made excellent progress and growers expect a good onion crop.

PROCESSING VEGETABLES
July 1, 1986

Acreage contracted to the 5 major processing crops totals 1.27 million acres (515 thousand hectares) for 1986, 9 percent below last year. Acreage for each of the 5 crops is down from last year as follows: snap beans, down 7 percent; sweet corn, down 5 percent; cucumbers for pickles, down 8 percent; green peas, off 20 percent; and tomatoes, down 2 percent.

CUCUMBERS FOR PICKLES are contracted on 92.1 thousand acres (37.3 thousand hectares), down 8 percent from last year. Early and mid-season pickles cover 82.3 thousand acres (33.3 thousand hectares), while late or fall acreage is forecast at 9780 acres (3960 hectares). Planted acreage fell 2 percent short of March intentions, primarily due to dry weather in Southeastern States.

GREEN PEA production is forecast at 422 thousand tons (383 thousand metric tons), a drop of 27 percent from last year and 15 percent below 1984. Acreage for harvest, at 278 thousand acres (113 thousand hectares), fell 21 percent, while yields averaging 1.52 tons per acre are expected to slip 7 percent from last year.

In Minnesota, wet conditions caused crop damage and harvest delays across the major growing areas. Cool weather in Michigan has been favorable for peas. In the Pacific Northwest, hot weather stressed the crop and hurried harvest, but all fields are expected to be harvested. California weather, on the other hand, has been too cool for optimal yields.

PRELIMINARY PLANTINGS BY CROP AND EXPECTED UTILIZATION, UNITED STATES (DOMESTIC UNITS)

CROP AND UTILIZATION	PLANTED AREA				CONTRACT CHANGE 1986/1985
	1984	1985		1986	
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT	
	ACRES				PERCENT
ALL PROCESSING:					
SNAP BEANS	226,490	231,370	214,480	200,230	93
SWEET CORN	445,900	450,700	449,300	428,330	95
CUCUMBERS (PICKLES)	108,430	118,240	99,600	92,120	92
GREEN PEAS	346,170	365,620	365,220	292,720	80
TOMATOES	298,600	269,860	265,100	259,090	98
TOTAL	1,425,590	1,435,790	1,393,700	1,272,490	91
CANNING:					
SNAP BEANS	159,640	166,350	152,040	140,820	93
SWEET CORN	294,990	283,410	282,810	265,910	94
GREEN PEAS	179,920	188,170	187,970	153,050	81
FREEZING:					
SNAP BEANS	66,850	65,020	62,440	59,410	95
SWEET CORN	150,910	167,290	166,490	162,420	98
GREEN PEAS	166,250	177,450	177,250	139,670	79
	PRODUCTION				CONTRACT CHANGE 1986/1985
	1984	1985		1986	
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT	
	TONS				PERCENT
TOMATOES	7,681,160	7,177,130	7,081,810	7,240,790	102

PRELIMINARY PLANTINGS BY CROP AND EXPECTED UTILIZATION, UNITED STATES (METRIC UNITS)

CROP AND UTILIZATION	PLANTED AREA			
	1984	1985		1986
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT
	HECTARES			
ALL PROCESSING:				
SNAP BEANS	91 660	93 630	86 800	81 030
SWEET CORN	180 450	182 390	181 830	173 340
CUCUMBERS (PICKLES)	43 880	47 850	40 310	37 280
GREEN PEAS	140 090	147 960	147 800	118 460
TOMATOES	120 840	109 210	107 280	104 850
TOTAL	576 920	581 050	564 020	514 960
CANNING: 1/				
SNAP BEANS	64 600	67 320	61 530	56 990
SWEET CORN	119 380	114 690	114 450	107 610
GREEN PEAS	72 810	76 150	76 070	61 940
FREEZING: 1/				
SNAP BEANS	27 050	26 310	25 270	24 040
SWEET CORN	61 070	67 700	67 380	65 730
GREEN PEAS	67 280	71 810	71 730	56 520
	PRODUCTION			
	1984	1985		1986
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT
	METRIC TONS			
TOMATOES	6 968 190	6 510 950	6 424 480	6 568 700

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CUCUMBERS FOR PICKLES

STATE	PLANTED AREA						CONTRACT CHANGE 1986/1985
	1984 TOTAL	1985 TOTAL	1985 CONTRACT	1986 CONTRACT EARLY	1986 CONTRACT LATE	1986 CONTRACT ALL	
	ACRES						PERCENT
CALIF	3,400	4,100	3,600	3,000	600	3,600	100
COLO	2,400	2,600	2,600	1,800	0	1,800	69
DEL	1,500	1,500	1,500	770	630	1,400	93
FLA	5,100	5,200	2,400	1,900	0	1,900	79
IND	780	1,100	1,100	1,100	0	1,100	100
MD	3,500	4,000	3,900	2,300	1,200	3,500	90
MICH	22,000	25,000	19,000	18,500	0	18,500	97
N J	1,100	660	460	840	0	840	183
N C	28,700	29,400	22,900	15,600	3,300	18,900	83
OHIO	5,000	4,900	4,900	4,400	0	4,400	90
OREG	2,000	2,100	1,900	2,000	0	2,000	105
S C	9,400	14,200	13,700	1/	1/	10,800	79
TEX	6,800	6,100	5,200	5,900	1,900	7,800	150
WASH	1,500	1,700	1,600	1,600	0	1,600	100
WIS	8,100	7,000	6,700	6,000	0	6,000	90
OTH STS 2/	7,150	8,680	8,140	1/	1/	7,980	98
U S	108,430	118,240	99,600	82,340	9,780	92,120	92

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GREEN PEAS FOR PROCESSING

STATE	HARVESTED AREA			
	1984	1985		INDICATED 1986
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT
	ACRES			
DEL	11,500	12,400	12,000	10,300
MD	2,500	1,900	1,900	1,500
MINN	74,200	81,500	81,500	72,000
N Y	9,200	12,000	12,000	9,100
OREG	33,600	35,400	35,400	29,700
WASH	64,400	61,500	61,500	48,700
WIS	86,200	98,100	98,100	71,000
OTH STS 1/	48,870	50,820	50,820	35,820
U S	330,470	353,620	353,220	278,120

STATE	YIELD PER ACRE			PRODUCTION			
			INDICATED		1985		INDICATED
	1984 TOTAL	1985 TOTAL	1986 CONTRACT	1984 TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	1986 CONTRACT
	TONS (SHELLED)						
DEL	1.40	1.79	1.40	16,100	22,200	21,550	14,420
MD	1.63	2.12	2.00	4,080	4,030	4,030	3,000
MINN	1.38	1.58	1.40	102,400	128,770	128,770	100,800
N Y	1.64	2.34	1.75	15,090	28,080	28,080	15,930
OREG	1.48	1.22	1.10	49,730	43,190	43,190	32,670
WASH	1.70	1.60	1.60	109,480	98,400	98,400	77,920
WIS	1.48	1.64	1.70	127,580	160,880	160,880	120,700
OTH STS 1/	1.45	1.82	1.59	70,880	92,260	92,260	56,880
U S	1.50	1.63	1.52	495,340	577,810	577,160	422,320

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